

REMARKS

Applicant is filing the present Supplemental Amendment to present two new claims that further patentably distinguish over the newly cited reference, U.S. Patent 5,813,753 to Vriens et al. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present Supplemental Amendment and allowance of the present application for the reasons that were discussed in the Amendment of April 10, 2007, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, and for the additional reasons described below in connection with new Claims 48 and 49.

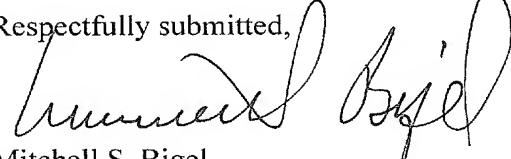
In particular, Claim 48 specifically recites a substrate comprising alumina, a light emitting diode on the face of the substrate and a flexible film comprising silicone on the face of the substrate and on the light emitting diode, wherein the flexible film includes therein a lens comprising silicone adjacent the light emitting diode, such that the light emitting diode emits light through the lens. Support for Claim 48 may be found, for example, in Figure 1 and the accompanying description at Page 6, line 5 - Page 8, line 16 of the present application. This combination is not described or suggested in Vriens et al. or any of the cited references.

Dependent Claim 49 recites that the flexible film comprising silicone is attached to the substrate such that the flexible film comprising silicone conforms to the light emitting diode as it expands and contracts during operation thereof, as described, for example, at Page 12, lines 32-34 of the present application. Again, the recitations of Claim 49 are not described or suggested in Vriens et al. or in any of the other cited art.

A Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is also being filed concurrently. In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the all of the pending claims and passing the application to issue.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (919) 854-1400.

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